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From: Vice Chief of Naval Operations
To: Chief of Naval Personnel

Subj: COVID CONSOLIDATED DISPOSITION AUTHORITY

Ref: (a) Secretary of Defense memo of 24 Aug 21
(b) ALNAV 062/21
(c) NAVADMIN 190/21
(d) CNO Delegation of Authority ltr 5402 Ser N00/100040 of 1 Jul 14
(e) CNO Delegation of Authority ltr 5402 Ser N00/17U100044 of 16 Jun 17
(f) R.C.M. 306, Manual for Courts-Martial (2019)
(g) R.C.M. 401, Manual for Courts-Martial (2019)
(h) R.C.M. 601, Manual for Courts-Martial (2019)

1. In reference (a), the Secretary of Defense directed that all Service Members in the Armed Forces on active duty or in the Ready Reserve will be fully vaccinated against the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). In references (b) and (c), the Secretary of the Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations implemented this mandate for the Department of the Navy and Navy, respectively.
2. Pursuant to references (d) through (h), you are designated as the COVID Consolidated Disposition Authority (CCDA) for possible administrative actions in cases of Navy Service Members on active duty, on active duty in full time support, and in the Selected Reserve, who have not complied with the mandatory COVID-19 vaccination requirement.
3. In accordance with references (c) and (f), authority is still withheld from all Navy commanders, commanding officers, and officers in charge, including you, for initiating non-judicial punishment and courts-martial in matters related solely to the refusal to comply with the mandatory COVID-19 vaccination requirement.
4. Consistent with existing procedures and as authorized by law and regulation, you have authority to exercise the full range of administrative actions on Navy Service Members who have not complied with the lawful order to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and do not have an approved exemption. Show cause authority and enlisted separation authority is further delegable. U.S. Naval Academy and Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps midshipmen who are not fully vaccinated will be processed for disenrollment in accordance with applicable law, regulations, and policy, and not through the CCDA.
5. By 31 January 2022, for active-duty Service Members, and 31 March 2022, for the Selected Reserve, and monthly thereafter until directed otherwise, you will report to me your actions and assessment of any impacts on manpower and readiness.

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6. By copy of this letter, the Chief, Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; Commander, Navy Installations Command; the Judge Advocate General of the Navy; and the Chief of Navy Reserve are directed to provide resources and support, as required.

7. My point of contact for this matter is (b) (6), JAGC, USN, at (b) (6)

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